

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 4-10 and 13-14 are pending, with claims 1-3 and 11-12 having been canceled, and claim 13 having been amended.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for his consideration and allowance of claims 4-10 and 14.

Claims 1 and 2 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Sakurai et al. (U.S. Patent Number 6,633,334). This rejection is moot as claims 1 and 2 have been canceled.

Claim 3 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sakurai in view of Guidash et al. (U.S. Patent Number 5,986,297). This rejection is moot as claim 3 has been canceled.

Claim 11 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sakurai in view of Yang. This rejection is moot as claim 11 has been canceled.

Claim 13 has been objected to as being dependent on a canceled dependent claim. Claim 13 has been amended to depend from allowed claim 4, and therefore should be patentable.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicant believes all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance and an action to that end is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

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